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# Great Incohonee's Message

Greetings:

This Great Council, for the sixth time in its illustrious history, has this day elected a Great Incohonee from that historical birthplace of our nation — New England — more specifically you have given this honor for the fifth time to the great Commonwealth of Massachusetts; from whence our order had its humble beginnings — the site of the now famous Boston Tea Party, by electing a Great Incohonee once again from the Old Bay State.

I fully realize and appreciate the great honor which goes with the Tomahawk of Authority, however, I shall attempt at all times to wield it with impartiality, justice, and dignity, for my main purpose shall be to SERVE my brothers and sisters. We must be a team, working together, United as one, if we are to progress into our program of action.

Two short Great Suns ago, Great Incohonee Edward L. Keyser, Sr., introduced to us all, with the approval of his Great Chiefs, the "Decade of Progress". I need not elaborate upon its workings here as you are all familiar with it. Suffice it to say that we are stemming the tide of losses, even a gain was made last Great sun on the tribal side.

I can assure you all that the "Decade of Progress" started in the '60's will definitely be continued by the Great Chiefs into the '70's, and with your undivided continued support of its program we CAN turn the tide.

Patroitism is the Theme of the "Decade of Progress." In this era of unpatriotic actions and events by those who would overthrow our government, we need our Patriotism program more than ever. Let's become involved . . . Our Forefathers Did and we must continue their purpose, or we shall have no purpose.

The most important phase of the "Decade of Progress" is the work of the Committee on Promotional Development. "Operation Bootstrap" has been successful in its presentations and undertakings and it will now be continued down to the State, Tribal and Council level and is to be known as "Break Thru;" an energetic program which must have the utmost support of all for our advancement.

New Tribes and Councils are a must for new blood and continued growth, the Committee is already planning and is ready to assist you in all your endeavors towards this program.

Membership is the word, which members of all organizations hear, more than any other. I have always maintained that we do not need to be told that we need new members, all members certainly must realize this fact, however, I am sorry to say, many never do anything about it. The interested member can find palefaces most anywhere, but I must caution you that if we are to succeed we must remember that old bug-a-boo suspensions and adopt quality as well as quantity.

**ZONING OR DISTRICTS**

At the last session a study commission

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was appointed to study the feasibility of Zoning the Great Reservation, as this is written I have no way of knowing just what this committee will report at this session; however, I would like to recommend that this Great Reservation be divided into six districts and utilizing the legislation passed at the last session allowing the addition of Liaison members to the C.O.P.D. committee; that two Liaison members (1 tribal and 1 Degree) for each district be appointed to carry out work of the Great Chiefs and C.O.P.D.

## PROVISIONAL GREAT COUNCILS

These Great Councils which have less than the required 500 to hold a full charter are the Great Council that have been neglected the most and ironically they are the ones that need our help the most if they are to remain above the required membership to hold a provisional charter. At present we have ten provisional great councils in the combined branches and approximately a half dozen more are dangerously close to losing their full charter status.

I can promise you that these small councils will have the undivided attention of your new board of great chiefs and we hope the use of C.O.P.D. liaison members.

## DEGREE OF POCAHONTAS

This branch of our organization is in many places, today, becoming more affluent than our tribes. They deserve and shall receive the full support of myself and my board of Great Chiefs. It is my plan that as often as possible the Great Chiefs of the Degree of Pocahontas National League shall represent me as Deputy Great Incohonee at Degree Great Council Sessions. Even should I attend Degree sessions, I shall still have a Deputy Great Incohonee from the Degree.

When tribes and councils work together in harmony the gains to them both are limitless. We need each other.

## DEGREE OF HIAWATHA — DEGREE of ANONA

The Great Council of the United States recognizes these two youth groups, has set up legislation to govern them, BUT does little to help them. The Great Prophet, Great Senior and the Great Chief of Records are the administration team or governing body of these organizations. I

am asking that they meet at their earliest possible convenience to formulate definite plans for the advancement of these two groups "Our Red Men and Pocahontases of tomorrow".

### HIGHWAY SAFETY

This program started out several great suns ago with great expectations and fine results, but what has happened? . . . Highway Safety, today, is second only to Crime prevention and Air pollution. We are missing untold publicity by our failure to continue this program actively. I feel the reason for the slackness of this program is, that there is no one specifically in charge of Highway Safety, I recommend someone be made responsible for this program, that they may carry out the publicity of the program which it must have to survive.

### CHRISTMAS CARDS

Despite their shortcomings, have been a great source of revenue for the Committee on Promotional Development, and have kept the basic per capita tax down for the individual states, we have been assured that future cards shall be of better quality.

### THE RED MEN MAGAZINE

In the space of a few great suns this small magazine has become the news media, we look forward to every three months. How nice it would be if we could all have it every month. Your subscription and purchase of Christmas cards will help towards this end.

### COMMUNISM

Although we do not hear in the press as much about it as we used to, it is still with us, and your earnest support of the May appeal for funds to the ALL AMERICAN CONFERENCE TO COMBAT COMMUNISM shall assist us in meeting our full pledge to them each great sun.

### STUDY COMMISSIONS

The committee appointed to study the laws for modernization should be continued that they may check all reservations and tribal and council by-laws. This should be a continuing committee for the term of the "Decade of Progress" or until their work is completed. Maybe, some day, we will be the same everywhere . . .

Each Great Incohonee has some kind of program of his own, however, in deference to and in order to stabilize the "Decade of Progress," I shall offer only one addition that I know will strengthen the program. This is Degree Work.

Degree Work is the mainstay, the backbone of our order. Would you believe that in my trails this past Great sun, I met a brother, an active brother, who had belonged for 17 years and as yet had never seen the Degree work of our order, or another case where a great reservation with a membership of 1500 members does not have a working degree team, but when they wish the degree worked they have to ask a degree team from a neighboring reservation to assist them and work the degree.

The Older members recall when tribes had 3 degrees, we were flourishing then . . . The middle aged members like myself remember the All American Degree, and we were on the way down — the young members are adopted by a so-called seven man ritual and still we have losses . . .

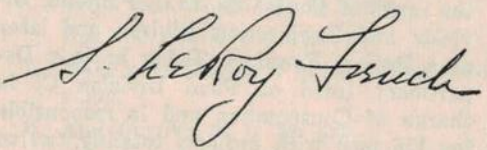
Now we have a study commission to look into a short form degree, I ask you brothers, look around you, take stock, which way are we headed . . .

As a proponent of degree work I believe we should go back to the three degree ritual, give the new members something to witness, something to think about, something to remember, something to join us for . . .

In my trails these next two great suns I wish to emphasize one point. I am going to earnestly strive, through the efforts of the Liaison members, to visit great reservations for the purposes of witnessing degree work and meeting the rank and file, the grass roots of our organization. By so doing the Great Chiefs can learn first hand of our problems and of our progress.

The FUTURE of OUR order now lies in OUR hands; Not Yours, Not Mine, BUT OURS TOGETHER.

Fraternally submitted,



S. LeROY FRENCH
Great Incohonee

## CLIFFORD FORREST, GJS, G.C.U.S.

Wah-Be Tribe No. 7 and the Great Council of New York is pleased to announce that Past Great Sachem, Clifford Forrest, was elected to the Chieftaincy of Great Junior Sagamore at Baltimore, Maryland.

He was adopted into Wah-Be Tribe No. 7 in 1936 and was elevated to the Chieftaincy of Sachem in 1947. He was accepted into the Great Council of New York State in 1950. He served as Deputy Great Sachem in 1952 and Brother Forrest has been active continually in Tribal Affairs, Degree Work and installing staffs since that time.

Brother Forrest was the Great Sachem of the State of New York for the 1965-1966 term. He has been a member of the Great Council of New York State for twenty years and is also an active member of Mista Council No. 48 of the degree of Pocahontas, and an active member of Haymakers Loft No. 74½. He has been active on the committee's of the Great Council of New York State held in Rochester in 1962.

Brother Cliff was accepted into the Great Council of the United States at Buffalo, New York, in 1966. He also attended the Session of the Great Council of the United States in 1968 held in Richmond.

Brother Forrest is a life-long resident of Rochester, New York. He attended St. Mary's Grammar School, East High School and, in addition, completed courses in Business Administration, Management and Related Supervisory Programs at Rochester Institute of Technology. He is an active member of the Holy Name Society at St. Margaret Mary's Church.

Brother Cliff Forrest has been an employee of Eastman Kodak Company for forty one years. Starting work at Kodak as a steam fitter, he graduated through the ranks of the E.C.M. & U. Planning Division and Engineering Divison and later as a Project Foreman. Today he is a Department Head of Field Division C, in charge of Construction and is responsible for 175 men with projects totaling twelve million dollars.

He is a very staunch supporter of the Boy Scouts of America and other youth activities.

The Forrest family is one devoted to the principles of Redmenship. Cliff's wife Betty is a Past Pocahontas of Mista Council No. 48 and a Past Deputy Great Pocahontas of the Great Council of New York State. Son, C. Edward Forrest, Jr., is a Past Sachem of Wah-Be Tribe No. 7 and a Past Deputy Great Sachem of the Great Council of New York State. Daughter, Clare, is a Past Pocahontas of Tioronda Council No. 224. Son-in-Law, Ted, is a member of Mawenavasigh Tribe No. 479 and his Daughter-in-law, Ronnie, is a member of Mista Council No. 48.

Brother Cliff Forrest is retiring from the Eastman Kodak Company in January, 1971 and is looking forward to devoting his time to the interest of Redmenship.

Welcome to the team.

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## QUEENS COUNTY, N. Y.

Shown in the accompanying picture are left to right: Herbert Hoyne, Gt. Trustee, Bradley Breitenstein, Director, John Keller, Zone Chief, making presentation of the Official History of the Improved Order of Red Men to the Mascsapequa L. I. Public Library. The gift was made in behalf of the Associated Tribes of Queens County, New York.

## COMMITTEE ON PROMOTIONAL DEVELOPMENT

This Committee is busy in the work of following through on programs of work that have been started and in the formulation of new plans.

It is good to know that Brother John W. Cross, PGS, 4253 Mayfield Rd. Cleveland, Ohio 44121 by virtue of his good work and untiring efforts, has been reappointed to this Committee and will serve as Chairman for the ensuing term. Any correspondence referring to COPD work may be addressed to him. He will work with the remaining other two members of the Committee, Brother Edmund P. Taylor PGI and Wm. E. Farrenkopf, PGI.

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## GREAT COUNCIL SESSION

Since going to press with other copy, some of the bills and resolutions as approved at the Great Council Session are being added.

A bill to raise the per capita tax .10c each on both Tribal and Council members was approved, to be effective January 1, 1972. An additional .05c per capita tax was approved for the Degree of Pocahontas National League on Council membership and for use of the National League.

A resolution to present an official history to the Library of Congress.

A resolution endorsing the policies of the President of the United States.

A bill approving an audit of the books by the Finance Committee.

A resolution endorsing Red Men's Week.

A resolution endorsing a bill now in Congress to make Flag day June 14th a legal holiday.

A bill approving passwords for one year instead of six months.

Freedoms Foundation Committee of three appointed by Great Incohonee.

Zoning of the Great Reservation to be announced by the Great Incohonee and the Zoning Committee.

A study Commission was appointed to formulate plans for a National project and to report at the Great Council Session in Boston.

Great Chiefs and Great Representatives shall be elected by ballot or twig at the annual Great Council Session by those entitled to vote.

# THE WILLIAM TUFFS STORY

This story is compiled by Burton R. Davis, from material supplied by Miss Florence Hall, Mr. Carl R. Mauck, Elkhart County Historical Society, and the Elkhart Public Library. Research was prompted by personal interest. Since it is not written for personal gain, NO liability is assumed for the authenticity of any statement.

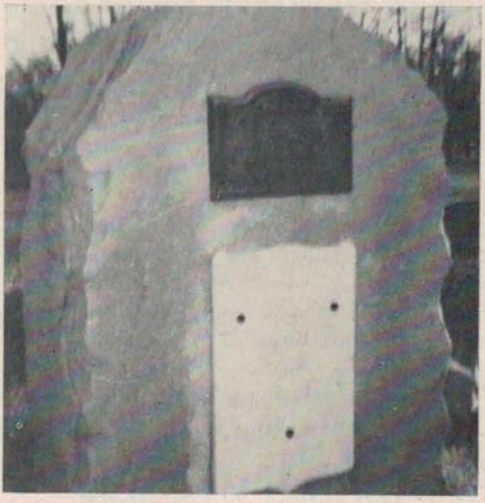
William Tuffs was born September 20, 1740 in Mystic Mass., the son of John Tuffs an Inn Keeper. During his early life his father moved to Boston to be an Inn Keeper there. History has recorded several things that men have done at age 33, but William Tuffs joined the "Patriots." Little did he or any one else know that the Organization would soon make Immortal History.

We are all familiar with the story of the "Boston Tea Party" where 60 men dressed as Mohawk Indians boarded the ships and threw tea into the harbor. Few of us ever knew any of their names and very little is known of their fate. 58 of them we assume are buried near the Atlantic Coast. One is buried in Lincoln Park, Chicago and another is William Tuffs who is buried in Bonneyville Cemetery, near Bristol in Elkhart County, Indiana.

During the Revolution, Mr. Tuffs took part in the Battle of Rhode Island, Germantown, Monmouth, Bunker Hill and Ticonderoga. He was taken prisoner after being wounded in the face. The scars remained through life. Legends are available of his being at Valley Forge and of his associations with General Washington.

At age 72 when most men would prefer less strenuous pursuits he enlisted in the War of 1812. He took part in the Battle of Lundys Lane, and was discharged soon afterward to return to Franklin, Ohio. In 1839 he moved to Elkhart County, Ind. to live with a nephew, James Selder. He passed to the reward of the faithful on September 19, 1848 at the age of 108 years.

His life was almost forgotten by most people until 1920 when an ad appeared in the newspaper, asking for information as to the exact location of the grave of the old veteran. The ad was placed by Modoc Tribe Improved Order of Red Men of Elkhart. The ad was answered by Mrs. Edna Selder Hall of Dowiagiac, Mich. A sworn statement executed by a Notary Public on July 31, 1922 in Cass County Michigan, reveals Mrs. Hall was the daughter of William Selder. Her father was acquainted with William Tuffs in his lifetime, and her



father had told her many times that William Tuffs was a member of the Boston Tea Party, and that she was a great-great-grand niece. Miss Florence Hall is Mrs. Edna Hall's daughter. Amon F. Runkle the Sachem of Modoc Tribe set about the movement to secure a monument to be placed at the grave. Honor to whom Honor is due. The Tribe raised $3,500.00 and on September 27, 1922 Great Sachem Timothy C. O'Connor of Staunton, Ind. was called to dedicate the monument.. He is the only living member present at that time that we know. At age 85 his memory has grown dim and he is not able to give us much information. The Records of the Red Men say in part that the monument was erected 13 miles from Elkhart. The Tribe there is no longer in existence.

Once again this would have been consigned to the forgotten past, except that Miss Florence Hall, sent a letter to the Great Chief of Records Office in Waco, explaining the story. Since I live in Indiana it was my place to check on it. I found a monument 6'x5'x2' of solid granite. The tablet of stone on the front needed

replacing. Pictures were taken and the project was accepted by the Past Great Sachems Association of Indiana. I was made chairman to raise the necessary $300.00 for the work. Like many other things the more you work at it, the more interested you become, this will account for the research.

On September 21, 1969 at 2 P.M. the Red Men and Pocahontas plan to hold a dedication of the restored marker. Every one that believes in America is invited.

Honor to whom honor is due. The Red Men may feel that another duty has been fulfilled. The Committee sincerely thanks all who had any part in making this a reality.

Burton R. Davis, G.S.S.
Chairman

## RED MEN & POCAHONTAS PAY TRIBUTE TO JAMES WHITCOMB RILEY

Wenonah Tribe 182 and Orinoco Council 59 of Greenfield, Ind. took a most active part in the Riley Festival. Greenfield being the birthplace of James Whitcomb Riley our beloved Hoosier Poet, a large celebration beginning on Riley's birthday was held. Mrs. Betty Lou Taylor the incoming Great Pocahontas was chairman of the Art Show featuring many of the events of Riley's time.

On Saturday afternoon a three mile parade was held. Featured on the Red Men Float was Burton R. Davis Great Senior Sagamore of U.S. and Betty Lou Taylor the Incoming Great Pocahontas of Indiana. Both the Tribe and Council have received favorable publicity and some new applications for membership are now on file.

## *THANK YOU*

"To each Reservation Great Council, Improved Order of Red Men, and Degree of Pocahontas, Tribes and Councils, each individual that had taken an Ad in the 104th Great Council Session's Souvenir Program, I would like to offer my sincere THANKS."

Sincerely in F. F. & C.
John N. Sprucebank, P.G.S.
Chairman Program and Registration Committee

## 104th GREAT SUN COUNCIL SESSION, GREAT COUNCIL OF THE UNITED STATES

Baltimore, Maryland 1970

The 104th Great Sun Council of the Great Council of the United States is now past history and it will be remembered as an enjoyable and successful occasion.

The 1972 Session will be held in Boston, Massachusetts, September 22-27th, 1972, which is one week earlier than usual due to congested hotel accomodations.

The following Great Chiefs were elected and raised to serve for the ensuing term:

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The following appointed Great Chiefs were announced and raised:

Albert L. Mills ..... Great Tocakon
29 Martin St., Medford, Mass 02155
Earle C. Robinson ..... Great Minewa
15 Orchard Pl., Beacon, N. Y. 12508
Joseph Volano ..... Great Guard of Forest
55 Downing St., New Haven, Conn. 06513

Some legislation was passed which will be compiled and published the next issue of the magazine.

Good fellowship and fine association prevailed and much good was accomplished for the future advancement of the Order.

Brother Edward L. Keyser, Sr. presided over the deliberations of the Great Council, even though he had been out of the hospital from major surgery only a short time. He has recuperated nicely from the surgery and is well on the way to complete recovery.

FLY YOUR FLAG REGULARLY!
SCALP A PALEFACE!

# LIFE LINE
## Melvin Munn - Dallas, Texas

## FBI DIRECTOR'S APPROACH

Writing in the FBI "Law Enforcement Bulletin" for October, 1968, J. Edgar Hoover had this to say concerning youthful dissent and constructive unity among the people of our nation:

"Unity is a basic element in our nation's strength. The United States' rise to a world power has been possible because its people, who often disagree on the means to an end, have been unified in a common cause—the cause of freedom, liberty, and justice under the rule of law. Dissent, discussion, and opposition are healthy and vigorous components of our way of life. This is how democracy works. However, it is important that we keep sight of our objective, that we preserve our system of self-government, and that we remain united."

"Passing the heritage of unity from one generation to the next is a crucial and vital step. Effective communication is essential to this transition, and it becomes more difficult as the complexities and challenges of our society increase.

"Without a doubt, our young people today are exposed to more extremists and radicals than ever before. These fanatics deal in bigotry, hate, and falsehoods, and their primary aim seems to be to turn young American against their country. They preach theories overburdened with simplicity but with no depth in principle. Understandably, many young people are confused by these agitators and their high-sounding dictums on love and peace. Logic and moderation are obscured and overrun by emotional causes which do not measure up under the scrutiny of truth and reason. Virulent extremists see only the black and white; for them, there are no shades of gray. They act on impulse and have no patience with those who question their motives. Their demands for direct action with ready-made remedies appeal to some rebellious-minded youths.

"We can be grateful for the responsible young people who carefully weigh issues before committing themselves. They do not blindly follow self-proclaimed do-gooders without checking their credentials. The rational young men and women today know the difference between constructive criticism and outright demagogy, between meaningful inquiry and undermining conspiracy, and between liberty and license. No right-thinking young American wants to forsake the proven principles of lawful, democratic freedom for chaotic anarchy and disorder.

"I would say that we do not give sufficient attention and credit to the responsible youth of our country. We are so concerned with the unlawful conduct of a small segment that we fail to fully appreciate and recognize the worthy ideals, aspirations, and achievements of the overwhelming majority of our young people. This is a grave injustice and, no doubt, is one reason we find it difficult to effectively communicate with the young age-group. We must improve our communication with the younger generation and strengthen the chain of unity before it is too late.

"Americans of all ages, of all races, and of stations in life must face reality. The undeniable truth is that no nation, regardless of how great or strong, can survive when torn by internal discord and strife. Unless we stand united with a free society ruled by supremacy of law—we shall fall prey to the forces which seek to enslave the world."

Too many in America today are blinded by the permissiveness of the New Left and the communist conspiracy. These influences instigate, nurture, and foment discontent so as to bewilder, terrify, and undermine a constructive society. It is a movement which assures the revolutionary that his purpose is to overthrow those in authority and destroy those who uphold law and order.

This monumental hoax has captured an influential minority in our nation. It is the New Left that is destroying our social structure and leaving it wide open to communist infiltration.

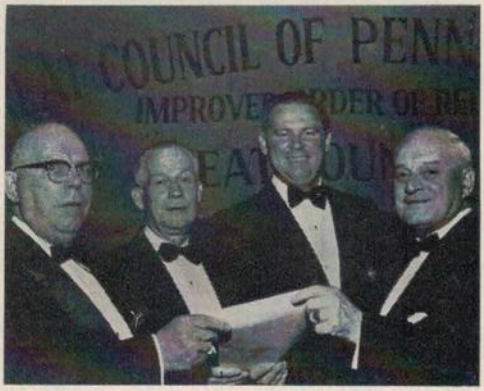
The communist strategy is that of training henchmen in other countries, running the campaign from the Kremlin, Peking, or Havana. They feed their cohorts with false promises and eventually reward their fellow conspirators with chains.

When communists take hold, there is no loosening of their grasp. Has this not been proved again by the recent tragedy of Czechoslovakia? The message from Moscow directed to the West was, "Don't interfere or there'll be another war!"

This is the enemy to which J. Edgar Hoover was referring when he said, "Unless we stand united—with a free society ruled by supremacy of law—we shall fall prey to the forces which seek to enslave the world."

## HARRISBURG, PENN.

The Great Council of Pennsylvania was held recently in the home city of Cornplanter Tribe no. 61. One of the most interesting highlights of the Session was the raising of the Great Sachem Robert Shaffer, by his Father R. L. Shaffer, G. K. of W of the Great Council of the U.S. In raising his son to the highest office in the state one of the father-son honors of this post in the nation was achieved. The senior Shaffer having reached this goal a few years ago and presently moving to the top of the Order's national officers. Quoting G. K. of W., R. L. Shaffer: "Of course, I am proud to have my son follow in my footsteps and I might state that he is the third generation of Red Men and he has two fine sons coming along who will. I am sure, be joining the Red Men within the next several years."




(reading from left to right: James Daugherty, Great Prophet, Edward L. Keyser, Sr., Great Incohonee of Maryland, Robert Shaffer, Great Sachem, Matthew N. Schlitter, G. C. of R.

## READ AS YOU RUN

From California to Maine from Texas to Minnesota they came 700 strong, old friends, new friends met for one accord, the 104th Great Council Session; even tho it is now history great things were accomplished. Red Men and Pocahontas are on the move — each doing his or her part to further the DECADE OF PROGRESS . . . . We are happy to report that the Great Incohonee Edward Keyser (now Great Prophet) came through the session in fine health after his recent surgery . . . Congratulations to Dardanela Council of Palermo, California on their institution . . . . A speedy recovery to PGS Lee Bowers in Phillipsburg, N. J. . . . . Tecumseh Tr. #233 of N. Y. is sponsoring an Indian boy and are doing something about his future . . . . PGS Bill Smith of Athens, Ohio lost a toe to the lawn mower, but is doing nicely without it . . . . Burton Davis GSS, GCUS of Indiana was given a life membership in the Great Council of Ohio . . . . Don Routte PGS, RFD #4, Deleware, Ohio 43015 has been appointed to fill the unexpired term as G. C. of R. of Ohio upon the resignation of Brother James O. .Archer, PGI who has served the Great Council of Ohio so admirably for many years, we shall miss you as G. C. of R., but welcome Don . . . . many happy returns to Corn Planter Tr. #173 of Ohio on their 75th birthday . . . . Did you know the tallest totem pole in the world is 160 feet tall in McKinleyville, Calif., it weighs 57 000 lbs. and was carved from a 500 year old tree . . . . Get well wishes PGP Grace Weans of Penn. . . . . Glad PGP Bessie Binkley of Ohio is back on the job . . . . Your Editor and Copy Boy wish to thank the G. C. of Maryland, all the various Committees and friends for a great time in Baltimore; see you in Boston, 1972.

## SYRACUSE N. Y.

Wives and widows of New York State Past Great Sachems got together and formed the "Wives of Past Great Sachems Club." A fine group with Kay Sayre president and Mary Fuller Secretary. A great idea, for social and other work that should be rewarding.

## I AM THE NATION

I was born on July 4, 1776, and the Declaration of Independence is my birth certificate. The blood lines of the world run in my veins, because I offered freedom to the oppressed. I am many things, and many people. I am the nation.

I am over 200 million living souls—and the ghost of millions who have lived and died for me.

I am Nathan Hale and Paul Revere. I stood at Lexington and fired the shot heard around the world. I am Washington, Jefferson and Patrick Henry. I am John Paul Jones, the Green Mountain Boys and Davy Crockett. I am Lee and Grant and Abe Lincoln.

I remember the Alamo, the Maine and Pearl Harbor. When freedom called I answered and stayed until it was over, over there. I left my heroic dead in Flanders Fields, on the rock of Corregidor, on the bleak slopes of Koreo and in the steaming jungle of Viet Nam.

I am the Brooklyn Bridge, the wheat lands of Kansas and the granite hills of Vermont. I am the coalfields of the Virginias and Pennsylvania, the fertile lands of the West, the Golden Gate and the Grand Canyon. I am Independence Hall, the Monitor and the Merrimac.

I am big. I sprawl from the Atlantic to the Pacific . . . my arms reach out to embrace Alaska and Hawaii . . . 3 million square miles throbbing with industry. I am more than 5 million farms. I am forest, field, mountain and desert. I am quiet villages—and cities that never sleep.

You can look at me and see Ben Franklin walking down the streets of Philadelphia with his breadloaf under his arm. You can see Betsy Ross with her needle. You can see the lights of Christmas, and hear the strains of "Auld Lang Syne" as the calendar turns.

I am Babe Ruth and the World Series, I am 130,000 schools and colleges, and 320,000 churches where my people worship God as they think best. I am a ballot dropped in a box, the roar of a crowd in a stadium and the voice of a choir in a cathedral. I am an editorial in a newspaper and a letter to a Congressman.

I am Eli Whitney and Stephen Foster. I am Tom Edison, Albert Einstein and Billy Graham. I am Horace Greeley, Will Rogers and the Wright brothers. I am George Washington Carver, Daniel Webster and Jonas Salk.

I am Longfellow, Harriet Beecher Stowe, Walt Whitman and Thomas Paine.

Yes, I am the nation, and these are the things that I am. I was conceived in freedom and, God willing, in freedom I will spend the rest of my days.

May I possess always the integrity, the courage and the strength to keep myself unshackled, to remain a citadel of freedom and a beacon of hope to the world.

This is my wish, my goal, my prayer in this year of 1970—one hundred and ninety-four years after I was born.

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## BROTHER RED MEN—

Brother F. Rollin McCordell, who was elected and installed as the Great Sachem of Maryland in Baltimore, last April, was called to the Happy Hunting grounds on Saturday, August 1st, 1970.

Some members of the Order didn't know him, but the ones who did, knew him as a man of integrity, honesty, and having the ability to be a leader. The members of the family not only share the loss and love of Brother McCordell, but also the members of the Board of Great Chiefs and members of the Improved Order of Red Men of the Great Council of Maryland, and the devoted brothers of Conocheague Tribe #84 and Sisters of Red Feather Council #59, of Williamsport Maryland.

Brother August F. Thau, who has been installed as the Great Sachem of Md. has set up a Memorial Membership Drive in memory of our deceased brother, F. Rollin McCordell.

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If you can't succeed in making yourself as happy as you wish to be, just try the experiment of trying to make others happy. The reaction may surprise you.

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The most conceited man is one who is absolutely convinced that if he had not been born, people would want to know why.

## RESERVATION OF NEW YORK

Syracuse—Report on Indian Affairs

GAGNNAGARO PROJECT:

Governor Rockefeller appropriated $350,000 for the acquisition of the Gannagaro site, once the home of the Seneca Nation. At present surveys are being made on the land; and state personel are contacting owners regarding the purchasing of the properties. Approximately 1,000 acres are in question and therefore further appropriations will be required.

CHIEF ELTON GREEN LANGUAGE PROJECT:

A member of the New York State Board of Regents was approached in the earlier part of this year to submit to the Board the Resolution of the Great Council of New York regarding the Indian language project. Persons were contacted and were informed the proposal was under consideration and would require much work, but was not hopeless.

Tecumseh Tr. #233—New York

Tecumseh Tribe is sponsoring a 12 year old Navajo Indian boy, at the yearly expense of $180.00. The Committee on Indian Affairs congratulates Tecumseh Tribe for this splendid deed of Friendship and Charity.

Raritan Tribe #593—New York

Raritan Tribe is doing a great job of collecting clothing to send to an Indian Tribe in the Dakotas.

Tioronda Cl. #224—New York

Tioronda Council is also doing their share in support of the Indians by holding a raffle to aid the Hogansburg Fire Department. Collecting clothing for victims of a fire at the St. Regis Indian Reservation where two children lost their lives.

## OFFICIAL HISTORY

The official history book of the Improved Order of Red Men and the Degree of Pocahontas is still available and at a greatly reduced price. Order through your Reservation Great Chief or Keeper of Records while they are still available.

## RED MEN'S DAY IN ALEXANDRIA, VA.

The ninth annual Red Men's Day was held in Alexandria October 27th. This program is planned each Great Sun by the members of Seminole Tr. no 35 and Silver Moon Cl. no. 15, Brother S. LeRoy French, Great Incohonee and Sister Leola E. Clayton, National Pocahontas participated in placing a wreath at the Tomb of the Unkown Soldier in Arlington National Cemetery. The wreath was provided by the Great Councils of Colorado. Assisting in the ceremony was Brother George Mitchell, Great Sachem and Sister Virginia Hicks, Great Pocahontas of the Great Councils of Colorado and also members of the Red Men and Pocahontas of the Reservation of Virginia. Master of ceremonies was C. M. Johnson, PGS of North Carolina, and prayer by PGS Louis E. Smith, Great Prophet of Maryland. The memorial address was given by S. LeRoy French Great Incohonee of Massachusetts.

## MIAMI, FLORIDA

It was Christmas Day 1904 when 19 year old William S. Sweeting arrived in Miami from the British West Indies. He held various jobs until he married in 1908. Shortly afterward he opened the second meat shop in Miami. In 1910 the Sweeting market moved to First Ave., where it remained in business for more than 40 years. Mr. Sweeting died January 27th, 1969. Born in Harbor Island, Bahamas, he became a U. S. citizen when he was 21, was past master of the Nor-Mi Lodge, AF & AM and was Past Great Sachem of the Improved Order of Red Men. Brother Sweeting is survived by his wife Mary B. and two daughters. Sister Mary Sweeting is the Senior Past President of the Degree of Pocahontas National League and attended the Great Council Session held in Baltimore this year, for the first time in 12 years. She is a beautiful lady and loved by all who have the pleasure of meeting her.

(This article is somewhat late in making the magazine, but the notice has just come to us.)

## ROLE PLAYING

That which has long been suspected, has now been brought to the light of day. At long last the vision of a new day is crystalizing, and foggy unrealistic thinking crumbles away before the virility of the "New Dialogue" sweeping the Fraternity.

Confused thinking in the ranks during the past years, was in the larger sense and also the major problem, from our grassroots level leadership, up to and including the State and National administrative teams. The operating boards and commissions of the latter two in many cases, have been torn by conflicting emotions, priorities and power plays to the point of utter frustration.

Your National Committee has attemped for some years, by virtue of its mandate, to bring order and progress to this chaotic condition. They, and neither did you, expect instant resolutions. Patiently they probed, experimented, solicited and struggled to turn our Fraternity before the dawn of a new day.

From these varied activities it became crystal clear that the missing ingredient was the lack of forum where dialogue and working participation could be had. Some place where people could play a vital role in developing the structure of success. Dialogue and role playing were the touchstones needed for success. Hence the viable program titled "Operation Boot Strap" was conceived and executed.

Dialogue and your role playing opportunity has been boldly and broadly defined. Three-quarters of our Great Councils are even now firmly involved in either phase one or phase two of Boot Strap. All the feed-back so far from those States operating "Boot Strap" indicates intense commitment to the program, to the point that the National Promotional Committee cautiously takes heart, we have hit the "jackpot."

While there have been some unfortunate circumstances in some States that caused operating difficulties in meeting our completion of first phase one, we have confidence they too will become enthusiastic supporters within a matter of days.

Those States now engaged in phase two report good to excellent results in the area of dialogue and new ambition. Almost universally they express the hope that "continuation material" will be made available.

The National Committee pledges itself to so do. Anxiously we look forward to the continuing receipt of State reports on their Boot Strap meetings. Do we hear you say, why? Simply because you are playing the vital role in this program. Your reports will tell us the items you want suggested solutions for. Your "role playing" will shape our future as a Fraternity "renewing" itself. Your continued enthusiasm will make this **"Decade of Progress"** a truly prideful era.

With our eyes, hearts and fertile minds let us ever look to the distant star of success. We shall not falter nor be turned aside from attaining that success. Never again shall we look backwards, rather we shall take on the spirit of "doing our thing" in creating a dynamic Decade of Progress.

## RED MEN DECALS

During the past several months, we have had numerous inquiries in reference to Red Men decals. Through the fine work and efforts of the National COPD Committee, we are pleased to announce that there are available, in a limited supply, Red Men decals in the office of the Great Chief of Records, Buddy Mosshart, P. O. Box 683, Waco, Texas 76703. They may be ordered in minimum lots of ten or more at a cost of .10c each. It is a beautiful, colorful, decal, designed for the car, office or store window. Place your order now while they are in stock.

## DANVILLE, ILLINOIS

Wyanet Cl. no. 113 with the help of Tahomah Tr. no. 517 participated in the Labor Day parade this year and won third place in the open division. The men from the Tribe that helped are also members of the Council. Some rode on a float and some walked carrying flags, all wore Indian clothing. They had no intention of winning just wanted more publicity—but came away with a prize.

## SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS

Amanda McAllister became a member of Morning Star Council April 1920. She served Illinois as G. P. 1928-1929. Moving to Springfield, transferring her membership to Illini Cl. no. 6 in 1947, she became a member of Macawanda Cl. no. 220 at its institution and named in her honor. For more than 50 years she has been known for writing pageants for the District schools, Great Councils and the United States Great Council. On April 23, 1970 at her own district no. 3 school she wrote the pageant for the evening introduction of Great Chiefs, so she is still young at 81.

Macawanda Cl. has honored her by giving her a life membership and she will receive a 50 year pin from her council. The members of Illinois are proud of Amanda and wish her many more years of active works.

## STOCKTON, CALIF.

In July a number of members trailed to Stockton to help celebrate Iroquois Tribes 100th anniversary. They served a delicious dinner to 180 persons. A fine program was enjoyed and they were further honored by having two sixty year members present, Brother Tony Wilson and Louie Rapetti.

## C.O.P.D.—BREAK-THRU

Recently the Chiefs and Keepers of Records, The Great Chiefs and Keepers of Records received letters from the National COPD Committee in reference to promotional work as formulated by the Committee. We hope that you will enter into the activities of "Break-Thru" with enthusiasm, and that in the meantime, you will keep the intent and purposes of "Operation Boot Strap" active and working in your Tribe and Council.

## FIFTY YEAR MEMBERS

Charles F. Wetherell.....Florida
Ray Parker.....Ohio
Floyd Badger .....Mass.
Addie Badger .....Mass.
Basil Chadbourne .....Maine
William J. McCluskey.....Calif.
Vester Reid Southern.....Indiana
Victor Lazzari.....Conn.
Marvin Hudson.....Virginia
Also 28 members of Sioux Tribe No. 9 of Achilles, Virginia.

## *From the Copy Boy's Desk . . .*

We are all so delighted to receive your news items, and would like nothing better than to print everything that you send us. But there is a small hitch. In so many cases your story is too sketchy, names and ranks are not given, places are not set forth, and too sometimes your handwriting is hard to read. If we may make a suggestion or two—

1. Print or type.
2. Make sure all facts pertinent to the article are true eand correct.
3. Names and ranks correct.
4. Name and number of Council/Tribe, together with town name.
5. Double space if possible.
6. Submit photo in black and white, glossy only; list names left to right.
7. Use one side of paper only.
8. Make sure that your news is of national value.
9. And forgive us if we err.

Thank you and don't forget to FLY YOUR FLAG!

## OAKLAND, CALIF.

Monday, August 10th, Onoko Tribe no. 267 presented a copy of the Official History of the Improved Order of Red Men to the San Leandro Library. The dignitaries making the presentation are from left to right, PGS Frank Armstrong, Russel Bryant, Library Director, Stephen Ewing, P.S. Lou Fulgham and P. S. Carl Dietz. The San Leandro Library was delighted to add this book to their collection, and expressed how fine a "source of reference" it provides for the growing requests for information on Indian culture.

## KISHE MANITOU

. . . . .yea though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for thou art with me. . . . .

Earl W. Woodard, PGS.....Massachusetts
Erma Tucker, PGP.....Missouri
Mae L. Adams, PGP.....New Hampshire
James A. Phillips, PGS.....Maryland
Albert R. Johnson, PGS.....Washington
James C. McKnight, PGS.....Washington
George E. Martin, PGS.....Washington
Walter Berg, PGS.....Washington
Anthony Kendrew, PGS.....Massachusetts
Adella Brown Moore, PGP.....Florida
Christine Smith, PGP.....Florida
Bernice Park, PGP.....Florida
Rhoda Small, PGP.....Massachusetts
Gladys Evans, Great Pocahontas, Missouri
F. Rollin McCardell, Great Sachem Maryland
Louis C. Boss PGS.....California

From your copy boy:

Please send your news items—so that we may write about you!

## SOUTHINGTON, CONN.

Living up to the precepts of Freedom-Friendship and in this case Charity, members of Sagoyewatha Cl. no. 50 Degree of Pocahontas presented six 'walkers' to the Bradley Memorial Hospital. Accepting the gifts on behalf of the hospital was Mrs. Donna Holland, director of nurses. Those making the presentation were P. P. Adeline Piercey, P. P. Alice Heywood, P. P. Catherine Baldaccini, PGP Rose Nolan and P. P. Mary Palmieri.

## THANKS

May I take this opportunity to THANK the membership for the many hundreds of cards and expressions of friendship that I received during my recent confinement to the hospital for surgery. It was these good wishes and prayers that gave me the strength to try a little harder. I was able to fully preside at the sessions of the Great Council of the United States, and to meet many friends there. I am fully recovered and back to work, but your thoughtfulness and kindness will never be forgotten.

Sincerely in F. F. & C.
Edward L. Keyser, Sr.
Great Prophet

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A man should never be ashamed to own up he has been in the wrong, which is but saying in other words that he is wiser today than he was yesterday.

## U.S. VETERANS FOR PEACE

The 11th day of November has special significance to all Americans. That day on our calendar came into prominence in 1918. At II o'clock in the morning, on the 11th day of the 11th month, of that year, Germany and the Axis powers formally surrendered to the Allies, concluding the tragic First World War. The United States literally came to a standstill; church bells, fire bells, and sirens sounded; the people wept in streets and churches, prayers were lifted in gratitude to God; and families and friends agonized for days until they learned for certain that a loved one had survived and would be coming home.

After the Second World War, the significance of the day was broadened and it became Veterans Day. Now it is a day on which all citizens of the United States who are veterans of any and all of our tragic wars are honored. United States veterans, whether living or dead, have paid a price well above and beyond that which would be required of citizens were it possible to maintain peace throughout the world.

The body of the Unknown Soldier was brought home to rest, but his spirit mingles with those of his brothers, both living and dead. None of our fellow citizens will ever know true peace in their own spirits until the soldiers of death have been changed into evangels of life. The spirit of the United States fighting man struggles within itself in fierce and private efforts to understand and explain why humanity must have its cruel parts.

American veterans have never engaged in any war until our decision makers and most of our people have been forced into the grim realization that our own national security and citizen welfare were at stake.

When we honor the dead of past American wars, we know that whatever may be their estate, they are neither divided by prejudice of race, nationality, or creed. To these heroes, sung and unsung, all things are common.

Let it be clearly stated that our career military citizens are among the most honored of us. They are career fighting men and not professional soldiers. There is a vast difference between the force of arms built around defiant men who are determined to force some alien will upon foreign lands, and free men honoring liberty and serving their nation for a lifetime in order to secure its boundaries and its interests.

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## EVERETT, PENN.

A Boot Strap Conference and Raising was held on October 24th with Wambic Tr. no. 507 being the host. Many Tribes in the Western area were present with their candidates for adoption. The value of the Boot Strap?—To Learn more about your order, learn what can be done to increase the interest of your members, and learn how to increase your numerical strength.

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## THE GREAT SPIRIT CALLS

On September 9th, 1970 Sister Ora E. Thompson, PGP of Ohio was called by the Great Spirit. She had been a member of the Degree of Pocahontas for 40 years. Sister Thompson served as Great Keeper of Records until her health began to fail. All the Great Reservation shall miss her. Some of her last words were: "There now, I am finished."

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## LOST

Elmer L. Wyatt PGS, 125 N. 15th St, Middlesboro, Kentucky 40965 lost his Past Great Sachem jewel at Gwynn Oak Park in Baltimore. If found please contact Brother Wyatt. Thanks very much.

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Treat your friends kindly. If it were not for them, you would be a total stranger.

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It is a wise man who can be thrifty without being stingy; who can be generous without being wasteful.

## GREETINGS:

Prior to the next issue of the magazine, Thanksgiving and Christmas will have come and gone, and a brand New Year will have begun.

As we look back over the good year 1970, we find that we do in truth have many things for which to be thankful. We are thankful for the many blessings that have been sent our way and for friends and friendships such as each of you. We are thankful for health and happiness and that we can still enjoy a Free Land of Liberty, and we are thankful for sincere leadership in our Country and in our Fraternity. We are thankful for the youth of America and for our faith and belief in their and our future.

As we approach the coming Holiday Season, we want to thank each of you for the fine cooperation you have given us in the performance of our duties and to send you greetings and well wishes. May you have a bountiful Thanksgiving, a Joyous Christmas and a New Year 1971 filled with happiness and good cheer, good health and complete success in all your endeavors. May the Great Spirit Bless and keep you.

The National Office Staff
Buddy Mosshart, G. C. of R.
Lois Abernathy, Admin. Assist.
Mary Bunnell

## CHRISTMAS CARDS

Perhaps by this time you have received your box of Christmas cards for the 1970 Season, and we hope that you are pleased with the new design and grade of cards. If you by chance have not received them, you may still obtain them by placing your order with the National Office of the Great Chief of Records, P. O. Box 683, Waco Texas 76703. The cost of the cards is $2.00 per box; check or money order must accompany the order. Approximately three weeks are required for filling of orders.

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